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MOVEMENT IS DECREASED

Shipments and Consumption in August Totaled 2,622,485 Barrels Against 3,055,806 Barrels in July—Indicates a Decrease of 433,321 Barrels—Gross Production in Gulf Coast Region Off 64,000 Barrels, Compared With July. Shortage Thought to Be Close to 725,000 Barrels—Credit Balances Advanced—Contracts Practically Unchanged, Except Jennings—Summary of Wildcat Operations.

Gross movement and consumption in the Gulf Coast region in August amounted to 2,622,485 barrels. These figures represent a decline of 433,321 barrels compared with July, when movement and consumption was put at 3,055,806 barrels.

The gross output of Texas-Louisiana districts in August was estimated at 1,672,000 barrels, against 1,736,000 barrels in July, or a falling off of approximately 64,000 barrels.

Enough information is at hand to indicate that the transfers of Jennings oil to Texas storage in August totaled about 225,000 barrels. On this basis the net movement and consumption would be approximately 2,397,000 barrels, against the gross production of 1,672,000 barrels. The shortage, therefore, is probably around 725,000 barrels. The shortage in July amounted to 1,002,583 barrels. The figures for August are somewhat below the average monthly shortage for the first seven months of the year, which was put at 784,762 barrels.

On the foregoing basis, stocks of oil in the Gulf Coast region on the last day of August were reduced to approximately 13,780,000 barrels. Assuming that two-thirds of the total stocks is reserved for refinery use, or contracted for, the amount of oil open to purchase for fuel is somewhere around 4,590,000 barrels.

APPRECIATION.

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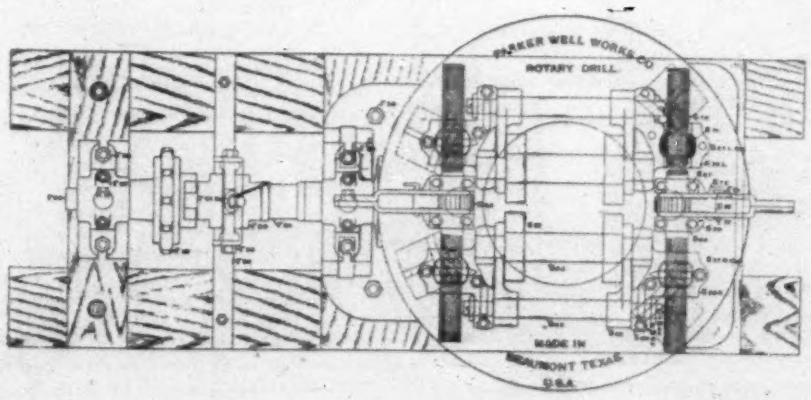
The Texas Company on August 28 made a straight advance of 2 cents on credit balances. The J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company on the same date advanced credit balance for Batson heavy 2 cents and 1 cent on Humble, with the other districts unchanged. The Texas Company list shows Sour Lake raised from 54 to 56 cents, Saratoga 47 to 49 cents, Batson 46 to 48 cents, Humble 51 to 53 cents, and Jennings 40 to 42 cents. The J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company prices show Batson heavy raised from 40 to 42 cents and Humble from 52 to 53 cents, with Sour Lake light unchanged at 54 cents, Sour Lake heavy 45 cents, Saratoga 50 cents, and Batson light 46 cents.

Contracts for Texas oil are strong but practically unchanged. Considerable oil is running on credit balance, precluding little alteration in the contract situation. Humble oil is selling for 55 and 56 cents, while some operators are holding for a higher price. Sour Lake is 62 cents, Batson 55 cents, and Spindletop 65 and 66 cents. Batson heavy is bringing 48 cents on contract.

Small lots of Jennings oil on board cars have sold for 65 cents. Such sales, however, are isolated. Spots on board cars are strong at 60 cents and oil is scarce at that price. Futures are selling for 63 and 65 cents.

Wildcat operations developed nothing of importance in August, although some of the tests are close to an interesting stage.



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A test at Rattlesnake Hill, northeast of Hoskins Mound, encountered a stiff gas pressure at 1,100 feet, the hole being immediately pumped full of mud, pending the arrival of six-inch to complete it. The drill stopped in sandstone. Work was expected to be resumed some time during the first week of September. Hockley is expected to develop something one way or another in a short time. The Esperson test south of Humble is going deeper. Nothing doing at 1,740 feet. Caddo shows no change. The Sharp-Hardy well is still an enigma. The Savage-Richardson hole is being worked on.

The gross output of the Gulf Coast region on August 31 was estimated at 51,700 barrels, against 57,650 barrels on August 15 and 54,335 barrels on July 31. The figures indicate a falling off on the last day of August of 5,950 barrels compared with the mid-month date and 2,635 barrels compared with the last day of July.

Texas districts were credited with an output of approximately 31,200 barrels on August 31, against 33,050 barrels on August 15 and 36,610 barrels on July 31, indicating a decline of 1,850 barrels compared with the mid-month date and 5,410 barrels compared with the last day of July. A fire at Spindletop on August 28 put four producing wells out of commission, thus cutting down the output 500 barrels, which should be recovered early in September. Humble shows a loss of 650 barrels, Saratoga 1,000 barrels, Sour Lake 200 barrels on the last day of August, compared with August 15. Batson, Spindletop and Dayton are unchanged.

The Louisiana districts were credited with an output of approximately 20,500 barrels on August 31, against 24,600 barrels on August 15 and 17,725 barrels on July 31. These figures show an increase of 2,775 barrels on the last day of August, compared with July 31, and a decrease of 4,100 barrels compared with the mid-month date. Jennings produced an output of 20,250 barrels on the last day of August, against 24,350 barrels on August 15 and 17,500 barrels on July 31, indicating a falling off of 4,100 barrels compared with the mid-month date, and an increase of 2,750 barrels compared with the last day of July. Welsh is unchanged at approximately 250 barrels.

Rail and port shipments from Texas-Louisiana districts totaled 1,962,485 barrels in August, against 2,395, 806 barrels in July, or a decrease of 433,321 barrels. Texas is credited with a movement of 934,448 barrels in August, against 1,206,418 barrels in July, showing a decrease of 271,970 barrels.

Movement from Louisiana in August amounted to 1,028,037 barrels, against 1,189,388 bareis in July, or a decrease of 161,351 barrels.

Texas port movement totaled 448,265 barrels of crude and 378,356 barrels of other grades. This record is against 682,166 barrels of crude and 303,427 barrels of other grades in July. The decrease in crude, therefore, was 233,901 barrels and the increase in the movement of other grades 74,919 barrels.

Texas rail movement in August totaled 486,183 barrels, against 524,252 barrels in July, or a decrease of 38,069 barrels. The movement from Saratoga in August declined 53,430 barrels, compared with July. The movement from Trice declined, while the movement from Humble showed an increase. Sour Lake movement showed a slight decline.

Jennings' rail shipments totaled 811,794 barrels in August, against 978,388 barrels in July, or a decrease of 166,594 barrels. The movement to Plaquemine amounted to 216,243 barrels in August, against 211,000 barrels in July, or an increase of 5,243 barrels.

The average daily movement and consumption in the Gulf Coast region in August was 87,416 barrels, against 98,573 barrels in July, or a decrease of 11,157 barrels. The average daily production of all the districts was 55,733 barrels in August, compared with 57,866 barrels in July, or a decrease of 2,133 barrels.

Louisiana districts produced approximately 701,000 barrels in August, against 620,000 barrels in July, or an increase of 81,000 barrels, all of which is credited to Jennings.

Texas districts yielded 971,000 barrels in August, against 1,116,000 barrels in July, or a decrease of 145,000 barrels. Humble showed a falling off of 95,000 barrels, Saratoga 25,000 barrels, Sour Lake 20,000 barrels, Spindletop 5,000 barrels, with Batson and Dayton unchanged in monthly output. The daily average production in Texas districts for August was 32,366 barrels, against 37,200 barrels in July, or a decrease of 4,834 barrels daily.

Fifty-four wells were completed in the Gulf Coast region in August. Thirty-eight were producers and 16 dry. New production was put at 5,050 barrels, of which 835 barrels is credited to Humble, 725 barrels to Batson, 690 barrels to Saratoga, 250 barrels to Sour Lake, 450 barrels to Spindletop, and 2,100 barrels to Jennings. This record is against 82 completions in July, 66 producers and 16 dry, with new production estimated at 5,965 barrels. August, therefore, shows a decline of 28 completions, 28 producers and 915 barrels of new production.

Jennings is experiencing considerable bad luck in development work. Three wells completed in the last half of the month of August started off at the rate of 4,000 barrels, 5,000 barrels and 3,000 barrels respectively, but the first well lasted only four days when it went dead, and the other two met the same fate. Air will be put into the holes and it is anticipated that new production will be revived to some extent.

All of the Texas districts are pretty well bunched in scope of development work since Humble has dropped down. Forty-nine wells were drilling on August 31 in Texas and Louisiana, against 50 drilling on August 15 and 61 drilling on July 31. Sixteen drilling wells are credited to Humble, 6 to Batson, 6 to Saratoga, 5 to Sour Lake, 9 to Spindletop and 7 to Jennings.

Eighteen rigs were up on August 31, against 11 on August 15 and 15 on July 31. Nine are credited to Jennings, most of which are on the Arnaudet tract.

Twenty-six wells were completed at Powell in August, 15 producers and 11 dry. Seven wells were drilling and two rigs up on August 31.

Two wells were completed at Corsicana, both producers, and one well was drilling and one rig up on August 31.

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SUMMARY FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST.

PRODUCTION OF SOUTHEAST TEXAS DISTRICTS.

	Barrels		
	July 31.	Aug. 15.	Aug. 31.
Humble	12,500	9,850	9,200
Batson	7,300	6,900	6,900
Saratoga	7,600	7,500	6,500
Sour Lake	6,400	6,000	5,800
Spindletop	2,600	2,600	2,600
Dayton	210	200	200
Total	36,610	33,050	31,200

The decrease on August 31 compared with July 31 is 5,410 barrels and 1,850 barrels compared with August 15.

PRODUCTION OF THE DISTRICTS IN LOUISIANA.

	Barrels		
	July 31.	Aug. 15.	Aug. 31.
Jennings	17,500	24,350	20,250
Welsh	225	250	250
Total	17,725	24,600	20,500

The increase on August 31 compared with July 31 is 2,775 barrels and a decrease of 4,100 barrels compared with August 15. Jennings shows an increase of 2,750 barrels on August 21 compared with July 31, and a loss of 4,100 barrels compared with August 15.

PRODUCTION OF THE GULF COAST REGION.

	Barrels		
	July 31.	Aug. 15.	Aug. 31.
Southeast Texas	36,610	33,050	31,200
Louisiana	17,725	24,600	20,500
Total	54,335	57,650	51,700

The decrease on August 31 compared with July 31 is 2,635 barrels and 5,950 barrels compared with August 15.

PORT SHIPMENTS OF TEXAS OIL IN AUGUST.

Grade.	Barrels.
Crude	448,265
Other grades	378,356
Total all grades	826,621
Daily average crude	14,942
Daily average other grades	12,612
Daily average all grades	27,554

RAIL SHIPMENTS OF SOUTHEAST TEXAS CRUDE.

Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe.

Loading Point.	Cars.	Barrels.
Saratoga	465	104,689
Beaumont	5	791
Total	470	105,480

Kansas City Southern.

Loading Point.	Cars.	Barrels.
Beaumont	19	4,071

International and Great Northern.

Loading Point.	Cars.	Barrels.
Trice (Texas Co.)	437	96,103

Loading Point.	Cars.	Barrels.
Humble	701	178,259

Sunset Lines.

Loading Point.	Cars.	Barrels.
Sour Lake	459	102,115
Gladys (Spindletop)	1	155
Total	460	102,270

TOTAL RAIL SHIPMENTS OF TEXAS CRUDE.

Railroad.	Cars.	Barrels.
G., C. and S. F.	470	105,480
K. C. S.	19	4,071
I. and G. N.	437	96,103
H. E. and W. T.	701	178,259
Sunset lines	460	102,270
Total	2,087	486,183

TOTAL MOVEMENT OF TEXAS CRUDE IN AUGUST.

	Barrels.
Port shipments	448,265
Rail shipments	486,183
Total	934,448
Daily average port shipments	14,942
Daily average rail shipments	16,206
Total daily average	31,148

RAILROAD SHIPMENTS OF JENNINGS CRUDE.

Kansas City Southern.

Loading Point.	Cars.	Barrels.
Lake Charles	661	129,178

Sunset Lines.

Loading Point.	Cars.	Barrels.
Jennings	1,609	325,435
Mermentau	602	140,695
Egan	936	216,488
Total	3,147	682,616

TOTAL RAIL SHIPMENTS OF JENNINGS CRUDE.

Railroad.	Cars.	Barrels.
K. C. S.	661	129,178
Sunset lines	3,147	682,616
Total	3,808	811,794

DELIVERIES OF JENNINGS CRUDE TO PLAQUEMINE.

	Barrels.
By pipe line and barges	216,243

TOTAL MOVEMENT OF JENNINGS CRUDE.

Rail shipments	811,794
Plaquemine	216,243
Total	1,028,037
Daily average rail shipments	27,059
Daily average Plaquemine	7,208
Total daily average	34,267

GROSS MOVEMENT OF CRUDE FROM TEXAS AND LOUISIANA.

Districts.	Barrels.
Southeast Texas	934,448
Louisiana	1,028,037
Total	1,962,485
Daily average Southeast Texas	31,148
Daily average Louisiana	34,267
Total daily average	65,415

GROSS MOVEMENT AND ESTIMATED CONSUMPTION.

	Barrels.
Rail and port shipments	1,962,485
Refinery consumption	600,000
Field consumption	60,000
Total	2,622,485
Daily average in August	87,416
Daily average in July	98,573

Decrease daily average in August, 11,157 barrels.

ESTIMATED MONTHLY PRODUCTION IN TEXAS DISTRICTS.

	Barrels.	
Districts.	July.	August.
Humble	390,000	295,000
Batson	210,000	210,000
Saratoga	230,000	205,000
Sour Lake	200,000	180,000
Spindletop	80,000	75,000
Dayton	6,000	6,000
Total	1,116,000	971,000
Daily average in July		37,200
Daily average in August		32,366

Decrease daily average in August, 4,834 barrels. The total decrease in August compared with July was 145,000 barrels.

ESTIMATED MONTHLY PRODUCTION OF LOUISIANA DISTRICTS.

	Barrels.	
Districts.	July.	August.
Jennings	614,000	695,000
Welsh	6,000	6,000
Total	620,000	701,000
Daily Jennings average July		20,666
Daily Jennings average August		23,366
Increased daily average August		2,700

The total increase at Jennings in August compared with July was 81,000 barrels.

ESTIMATED MONTHLY PRODUCTION IN GULF COAST REGION.

	Barrels.	
Districts.	July.	August.
Southeast Texas	1,116,000	971,000
Louisiana	620,000	701,000
Total	1,736,000	1,672,000
Daily average in July		57,866
Daily average in August		55,733

Decrease daily average August, 2,133 barrels. The total decrease in August compared with July was 64,000 barrels.

FIRE AT SOUR LAKE.

Gas and a lantern. September 1, 4 a. m., at Sour Lake, on Jackson strip. J. S. Crosbie lost two derricks and one 1,200-barrel tank; Knight Oil Company, two derricks and two 1,200-barrel tanks with a small quantity of oil, and the Fell Oil Company lost one 600-barrel tank.

LATE NEWS FROM JENNINGS.

The Crowley Oil and Mineral Company No. 21 came in at 11 o'clock on the night of August 31 and started to gush by heads with a bailer stuck in the hole. It is a shallow well and the oil is black, with no water. Operators believe the well should make between 2,000 and 3,000 barrels with air when the hole is cleared. This well extends the Jennings field about 200 feet north.

RICE.

Efforts to prove territory at Rice, about twelve miles north of Corsicana, so far have proved abortive, although good showings of oil were obtained. Three wells were completed in August, all dry holes, as follows: Corsicana Petroleum Company No. 1; R. H. Warren, and the Rice Oil Company Nos. 2 and 3 on the J. B. Haynie.

Three wells were drilling on the last day of August—Corsicana Petroleum Company No. 1 on the Sands, J. W. Sturm No. 1 on the Hurdt and Peck, Thompson & Co. No. 1 on the Kane.

J. W. Sturm has a rig up for No. 1 on the J. B. Haynie.

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WELL SUMMARY FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST.

WELLS COMPLETED.

District.	C'p'd	P d'g	Dry	A'b'd	P'd'n
Humble	19	10	9	5	835
Batson	7	6	1	0	725
Saratoga	7	7	0	0	690
Sour Lake	9	6	3	3	250
Spindletop	7	4	3	0	450
Dayton	0	0	0	0	....
Jennings	5	*5	0	0	....
Welsh	0	0	0	0	....
Total	54	38	16	8	5050
July record	82	66	16	47	5965
Decrease, Aug.	28	28	..	39	915

*Three went dead after gushing for a short time.

WELLS DRILLING.

District.	July 31.	Aug. 15.	Aug. 31.
Humble	25	14	16
Batson	5	7	6
Saratoga	11	7	6
Sour Lake	5	6	5
Spindletop	7	9	9
Dayton	1	0	0
Jennings	6	7	7
Welsh	1	0	0
Total	61	50	49

RIGS UP.

District	July 31.	Aug. 15.	Aug. 31.
Humble	5	2	1
Batson	0	0	2
Saratoga	1	1	1
Sour Lake	2	1	2
Spindletop	2	2	1
Dayton	0	0	0
Jennings	4	3	9
Welsh	1	1	1
Total	15	11	18

POWELL AND CORSICANA.

Powell (heavy oil)—Wells completed 26; producing 15; dry 11; gassers 0. Drilling 7. Rigs up 2. Abandoned 1.

Corsicana (light oil)—Wells completed 2; producing 2; dry 0; gassers 0. Wells drilling 1. Rigs up 1. Abandoned 6.

Indian Territoyr papers are giving publicity to a story alleging that the Frisco System is negotiating the purchase of Texas pool oil for use in its locomotives. Texas crude is from 36 to 40 gravity. Somebody will get an edition de luxe of experience if its use as fuel is attempted.

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CRUDE PRICES.

Quotations on Credit Balances as Posted by the Pipe Lines.

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	Apl. 23	May 23	June 27	—Aug.— 6	28
Sour Lake, light	49	51	52	54	54
Sour Lake, heavy	40	42	43	45	45
Saratoga	40	42	44	50	50
Batson, light	41	43	45	46	46
Batson, heavy	35	37	39	40	42
Humble	43	45	48	52	53

Where no figures are given, the price remains unchanged.

THE TEXAS COMPANY.

	Mch. 31	Apl. 23	May 22	June 26	—Aug.— 6	28
Sour Lake	47	49	51	52	54	56
Saratoga	38	40	42	44	47	49
Batson	37	39	41	43	46	48
Humble	41	43	45	48	51	53
Jennings	30	32	34	36	40	42

Where no figures are given, the price remains unchanged.

Above prices do not include loading, storage or other charges on oil shipped by tank car.

Contract prices for Texas oil at the wells from 2 to 6 cents above credit balance quotations.

EASTERN PRICES.

Pennsylvania	$1.58
Second sand	1.58
Tiona	1.68
Richland	1.78
Corning	1.10
New Castle	1.35
Cabell	1.18
North Lima	.90
South Lima	.85
Indiana	.85
Princeton, Ind	.64
Casey, Ill.	.64
Somerset	.85
Ragland	.55
Corsicana, light	.89
Corsicana, heavy	.50
Fuel oil	.35
Canada	$1.30

KANSAS AND TERRITORIES.

32 gravity and over	$0.39
32 to 31 1-2 gravity	.36
31 1-2 to 31 gravity	.33
31 to 30 1-2 gravity	.30
30 1-2 to 30 gravity	.27
Heavy or fuel oil	.26

The Ten Strike Oil Company of Corsicana has been organized with a capital stock of $10,000 by H. G. Damon, Guy M. Gibson and William H. Dunn.

JENNINGS.

Five wells were completed in the Jennings district in August, two producers in the first half of the month with output of approximately 2,100 barrels, and three in the last half of the month, starting off at 4,000, 5,000 and 3,000 barrels respectively, but continued for only a short time, when they went dead. This record is against seven completions in July. Three were dry, one a small producer of b. s. oil, another produced a little oil when it was drilled deeper, being made good for 500 barrels, but kept it up only a little while. Two started off at the rate of 8,000 barrels and 1,000 barrels respectively, but continued only twenty-four hours when both were hit by salt water.

The gross output of the district on August 31 was put at 20,250 barrels, against 17,500 barrels on July 31, showing an increase of 2,750 barrels. The total yield on August 15 was estimated at 24,350 barrels, indicating a falling off of 4,100 barrels on the last day of August compared with the mid-month date.

Seven wells were drilling on August 31 against seven drilling on August 15 and six drilling on July 31. Two old holes were going deeper on the last day of August.

Nine locations were recorded on August 31, eight new and one old. Six of the locations are on the Arnaudet. This record is against three locations on August 15 and four on July 31.

Following is a summary of field operations for the last half of August, compiled on August 31, together with a summary of production made on the same date:

WELLS COMPLETED.

Heywood Oil Company, Arnaudet No. 5, started off at about 4,000 barrels, but kept it up only four days. Dead.

Jennings-Heywood Oil Syndicate No. 15, started off at 5,000 barrels, but continued only a short time. Dead.

Jennings-Heywood Oil Syndicate No. 16, made at the rate of about 3,000 barrels a day for a few hours when it sanded up.

Total new completions, 3.

WELLS DRILLING.

Crowley Oil and Mineral Company No. 20, setting strainer.

Heywood Oil Company, Crowley No. 7.

G. B. Zigler Company, Wilkins No. 6.

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Producers Oil Company, Latreille No. 10.
Crowley Oil and Mineral Company No. 21.
Caffery, Benckenstein and Martel No. 2.
Jennings Oil Company No. 11.
Total wells drilling, 7.

WELLS DRILLING DEEPER.

Crowley Oil and Mineral Company No. 18.
Chicago-Jennings Oil Company No. 2 twisted off drill stem. Fishing.

LOCATIONS.

Shippers Oil Company, Latrielle No. 3.
Jennings-Heywood Oil Syndicate Nos. 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21, all on the Arnaudet. No. 17 was reported as a location during the first half of August.
Heywood Oil Company, Arnaudet No. 6, close to old No. 1, an abandoned hole.
Crowley Oil and Mineral Company No. 22.
G. B. Zigler Company, West Virginia No. 6.
Total locations, 9; one old and eight new.

SUMMARY OF PRODUCTION.

Following is a summary of production in the Jennings district compiled on August 31:

Operator.	Barrels.
Heywood Oil Company	5,050
Jennings-Heywood Oil Syndicate	3,500
G. B. Zigler Company	3,350
Bass and Guffey	3,200
Producers Oil Company	1,500
Shippers' Oil Company	1,100
Evangeline Oil Company	800
Crowley Oil and Mineral Company	700
Keeling W. W. Company	650
Caffery and Benckenstein	250
Jennings Oil Company	150
Total	20,250

FIELD NOTES.

Shippers' Oil Company No. 2, a completion in the first half of August, coming in at the rate of about 2,500 barrels a day, is now making about one thousand barrels a day.

Evangeline Oil Company No. 8, which was making about 800 barrels in the first half of the month, has declined 400 barrels in output with air.

When Jennings-Heywood Oil Syndicate No. 15 came in, Heywood Oil Company No. 2, an abandoned hole close to it, began gushing at the rate of about 2,000 barrels a day, but kept it up only twenty-four hours.

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HUMBLE.

Nineteen wells were completed in the Humble district in August, ten producers and nine dry. Gross new production was put at 835 barrels. This is the lowest record in the history of the field. July registered fifty-two completions, forty-one producers and eleven dry, with new production put at approximately 3,655 barrels. This represents a falling off in August of thirty-three completions, thirty-one producers, and 2,820 barrels of new production. Six wells were completed in the last half of August, two dry and four producers, with a gross output estimated at 290 barrels.

The gross output of the field on August 31 was put at 9,200 barrels against 12,500 barrels on July 31, showing a decrease of 3,300 barrels. The total yield of the district on August 15 was estimated at 9,850 barrels, indicating a falling off of 650 barrels on the last day of August compared with the mid-month date.

Sixteen wels were drilling and four old holes going deeper on August 31. This record is against fourteen wells drilling on August 15 and twenty-five drilling on July 31. Three wells were shut down on August 31.

Only one new location was recorded on August 31 against three locations on August 15 and five on July 31.

Following is a summary of field operations for the last half of August compiled on the last day of the month:

WELLS COMPLETED.

Granberry-Smith No. 24, Hermann, 150 barrels.
Layne and Bowler No. 4, Long, 40 barrels.
McAnery and others, Conway, 60 barrels.
Guffey-Crosbie No. 1, Guffey 10 acres of the Landslide, 40 barrels of 18 gravity oil.
Rotary Oil Company No. 3, Echols, dry.
McKallip Brothers No. 6, Blackshear, dry.
Total new completions, 6. Two dry and four producers. Gross output, 290 barrels.

WELLS DRILLING.

Carroll Oil and Gas Company No. 4, eastern extension, about ready to pump.
Carroll Oil and Gas Company No. 5, eastern extension.
Northwestern Oil Company No. 10, J. B. Jones of the Hermann, awaiting cable too's.
Northwestern Oil Company No. 13, J. B. Jones of the Hermann.
Northwestern Oil Company No. 14, J. B. Jones of the Hermann.
Granberry-Smith No. 25, Hermann.
Granberry-Smith No. 1, block 1 of Blackshear.
E. F. Simms and Company No. 1, Bart.
E. F. Simms and Company No. 8, Mason.
Osborne No. 1, Barrett, balling.
Ball and Carden No. 5, Mason.
Producers Oil Company No. 27, block 5 of Landslide.
D. B. Cherry and others, Conway.
E. B. Baldwin, block 5 of Echols.
Lake Development Company No. 9, Wilson 2 acres.
Producers Oil Company No. 43, Bart 10 acres of Hirsch.

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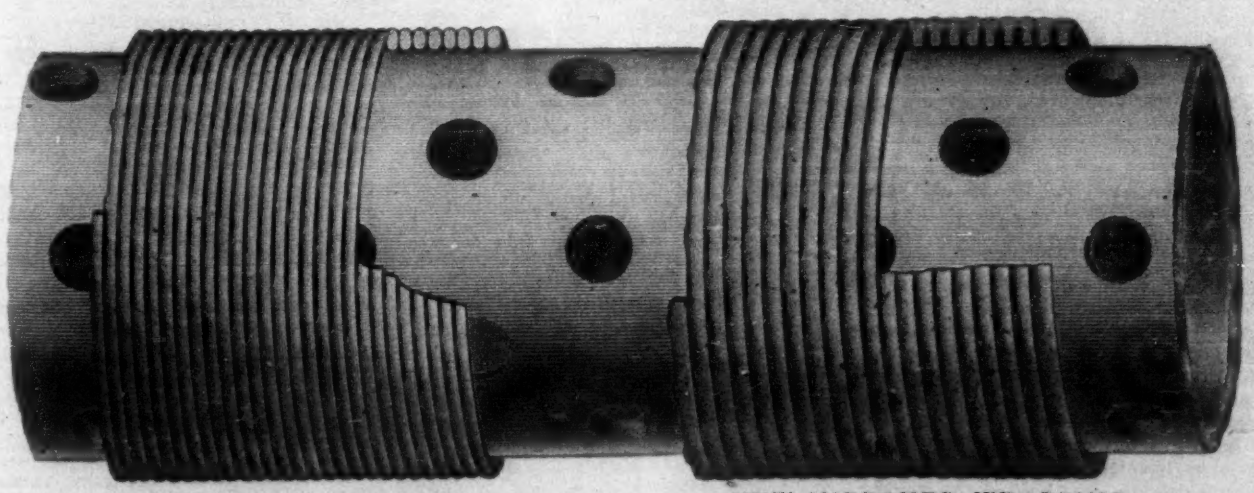

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Total wells drilling, 16.

WELLS DRILLING DEEPER.

Primere Oil Company No. 6, Hirsch.
Barbe and Company No. 1, Holmes.
Rutherford No. 1, Collier.
Northwestern Oil Company No. 5, J. B. Jones of the Hermann.
Total drilling deeper, 4.

WELLS SHUT DOWN.

D. R. Beatty No. 7, Echols.
McCarley-Shepherd No. 1, strip 5 of Weed. Steamhead removed. Has no rig.
John O'Neill No. 16, Cherry 2 acres, equipped with standard pumping rig.
Total shut down, 3.

NEW LOCA[illegible]

Guffey-Crosbie No. 2, Guffey 10 acres of the Landslide.

FIELD NOTES.

Producers Oil Company [illegible]o. 47 of the Adams, No. 52 on the Bering and Cortes and No. 53 on the Majorwitz, are abandoned.

The rig has been removed from Producers Oil Company No. 36, an old hole that was going deeper.

SPINDLETOP.

Seven wells were completed at Spindletop in August, two dry holes in the first half of the month, and five completions in the last half, one dry and four producers, with a gross output estimated at 450 barrels. There is greater activity in field operations at Spindletop than in any other field in Southeast Texas with the exception of Humble, but the new production obtained in the last half of the month exceeds that of the Harris County district. This record is against four wells completed in July, all producers, with a gross output estimated at 300 barrels. August, therefore made a gain of three completions and 150 barrels of new output.

A boiler exploded in the Keith-Ward tract on the night of August 28 and started a fire which destroyed approximately $15,000 worth of property before it was checked. The rigs on four producing wells were burned and put them out of commission temporarily. The wells were Bass and Abercrombie No. 4, 200 barrels, Bass and Moore, 25 barrels; C. A. Richardson, 200 barrels, and the Texas Crude Oil Company, 75 barrels, a total of 500 barrels daily production.

The gross output of the district on August 31 was practically unchanged at [illegible] barrels, the amount recorded on August 15 and July 31. The new production offset the temporary loss in daily output brought about by the fire. Pumping rigs are being hurriedly erected over the burned wells and it is probable they will be in commission some time in the first week of September when the gross output of Spindletop should be close to 2,900 barrels a day unless something unforeseen alters the situation.

Nine wells were drilling on August 31 and three shut down, one on account of a burned rig. This record is against nine drilling wells and two shut down on August 15 and seven drilling wells and three shut down on July 31. One location was recorded on the last day of August against two on August 15 and July 31.

Following is a summary of field operations for the last half of August compiled on the last day of the month.

WELLS COMPLETED.

W. G. Park and associates, northeast extension in McFaddin lease, dry.
J. C. Wilson, Gladys City, 150 barrels.
J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company, McFaddin lease, 75 barrels.
J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company, McFaddin lease, 25 barrels.
Bass and Abercrombie No. 4, McFaddin lease, 200 barrels.
Total new completions, 5; new production, 450 barrels.

WELLS DRILLING.

J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company, McFaddin lease, 300 feet.
J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company No. 70, Gladys City, 400 feet.
John W. Henderson, McFaddin lease.
Ike Bettison, Yellow Pine.
Bass and Abercrombie No. 5, McFaddin lease.
F. D. Smith & Co., Heywood lease.
Cush Weiss No. 1, Spindletop Oil Company strip.
Lehman and others, Forward Reduction Company lease, second hole.
Unity Oil Company No. 1, flats.
Total wells drilling, 9.

WELLS SHUT DOWN.

McCarley-Davenport, Shepherd, McFaddin-Weiss-Kyle subdivision.
Atlas Oil Company (J. A. Paulhamus and others), 150 feet west of Higgins pump station. Equipped with standard pumping rig.
Abeel and others, Keith-Ward, burned out.
Total shut down, 3.

LOCATION.

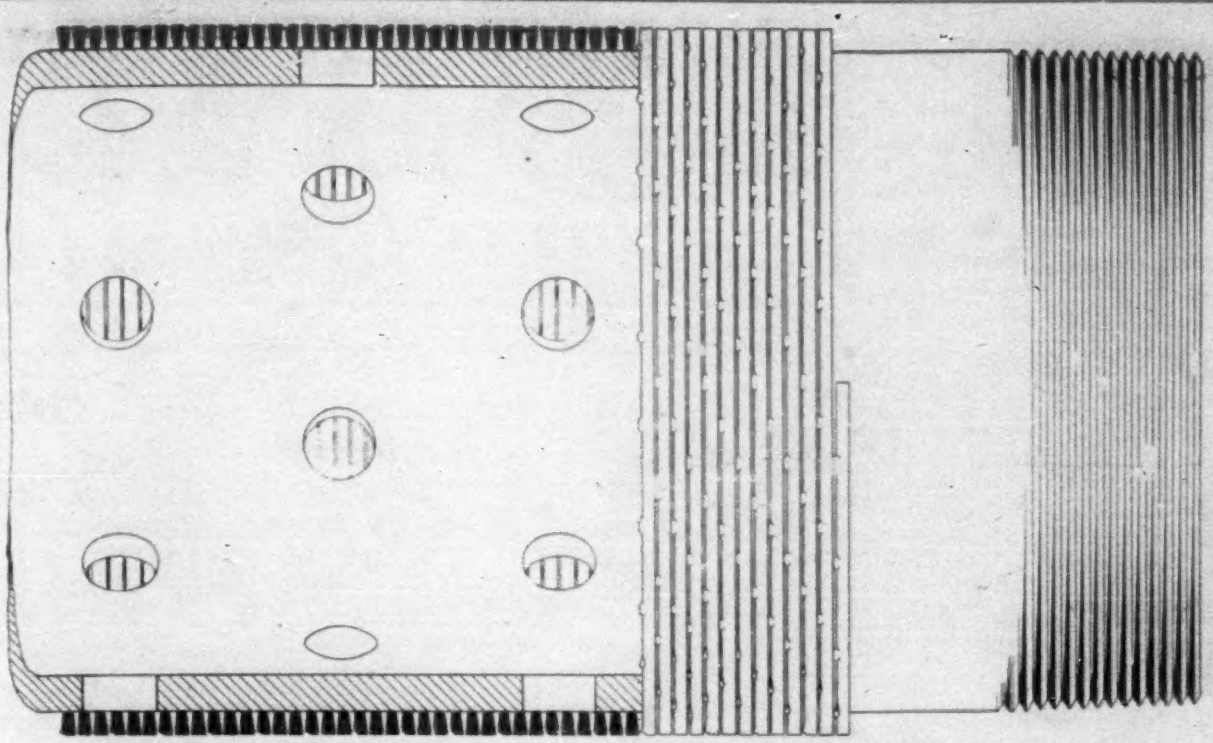
W. A. Meagher, Higgins lease, close to Bass and Abercrombie No. 4.

SARATOGA.

Seven wells were completed at Saratoga in August. Four were completed in the first half of the month, all producers, with a gross output estimated at 650 barrels and three were finished in the last half of August with two flowing ten barrels each and one that came in at the rate of about one thousand barrels a day soon sanding up. Standard pumping rigs will be put over the two flowing wells and it is probable they will make good pumpers. New production in August put at 690 barrels.

After many months of practically no variation in the output of the old wells, the Saratoga district is beginning to show a falling off, the total yield on August 31 being put at approximately 6,500 barrels. This record is against a gross production put at 7,500 barrels on August 15 and 7,600 barrels on July, representing a decline of over a thousand barrels in a month. It may be, however, that the estimate given on August 15, was a little high.

Six wells were drilling on August 31 and three old holes going deeper. This record is against seven drilling wells and



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three old holes going deeper on August 15 and eleven drilling wells and three old holes drilling deeper on July 31. One old location was standing on the last day of August. Three locations were recorded on August 15, one new and two old. One new location was up July 31.

Following is a summary of field operations for the last half of August, compiled on the last day of the month:

WELLS COMPLETED.

Sun Company No. 1, Union Petroleum of the Mary E. Hopkins, flowing about ten barrels of 17.5 gravity oil.

Sun Company No .2, Texas crude, came in at the rate of about 1,000 barrels a day, but soon sanded up and has not yet been recovered.

Rio Bravo Oil Company No. 230, Rio Bravo farm, flowing about 10 barrels of 18.5 gravity oil.

Total new completions, 3; new production, 20 barrels.

WELLS DRILLING.

Producers Oil Company No. 3, Alvey, bailing.

Producers Oil Company No. 4, B. B. B. and C.

J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company No. 10, B. B. B. and C., 820 feet.

Santa Fe Oil Company No. 13, Santa Fe farm, side-tracking 4-inch.

Britton Oil Company, Deutser No. 8, bailing.

Britton Oil Company, Hooks-Cessler No. 3, about completed.

Total wells drilling, 6.

WELLS DRILLING DEEPER.

Producers Oil Company No. 1, W. A. Parker, side-tracking 4-inch.

J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company No. 5, Herrington.

Sun Company No. 1, Meider-Mayer of the B. B. B. and C.

LOCATION.

Sun Company No. 3, Texas crude. Old.

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SOUR LAKE.

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The total yield of the field on August 31 was estimated at 5,800 barrels, against 6,000 barrels on August 15 and 6,400 barrels on July 31, indicating a loss of 200 barrels compared with the mid-month date and 600 barrels compared with the last day of July.

Five wells were drilling on August 31 against 6 on August 15 and 5 on July 31. There were two new locations on the last day of August, compared with one on August 15 and two on July 31.

Following is a summary of field operations for the last half of August, compiled on the last day of the month:

WELLS COMPLETED.

The Texas Company No. 53, Texas farm; salt water.

C. Byers & Son No. 1, Lone Acre strip 7 of Shoestring; 10 barrels.

G. W. Merwin & Co. No. 1, Jackson; dry.

Young and McLaughlin No. 2, Jackson; 40 barrels.

Hardin County Oil Company No. 3, Oliver; 60 barrels, 16.2 gravity.

Dodge and Daniels No. 1, block 5 of Gilbert farm; 30 barrels, 21.6 gravity.

Total new completions, 6. Two dry and 4 producers. New production put at 140 barrels.

WELLS DRILLING.

The Texas Company No. 54, Texas farm, erecting standard pumping rig.

C. E. Anderson & Son No. 3, Sour Lake Oil Company's strip of the Shoestring, erecting standard pumping rig.

Minor Oil Company No. 2, Sour Lake 1 acre, in rock.

Minor Oil Company No. 3, Higgins.

The Texas Company No. 55, Texas farm, in rock.

Total wells drilling, 5.

NEW LOCATIONS.

Hardin County Oil Company No. 4, Oliver.

The Texas Company No. 56, Texas farm, preparing to drill.

BATSON.

Seven wells were completed in the Batson district in August. Three were finished in the first half of the month, all producers, with a gross output placed at 350 barrels. Four were completed in the last half of August, 1 dry and 3 producers, with a total yield of 375 barrels. The total new production for August was therefore 725 barrels. The record for July was 10 completions, all producers, with a gross output estimated at 960 barrels. August shows a falling off of 3 completions and 235 barrels of new production.

The gross output of the district on August 31 was estimated at 6,900 barrels, the same as recorded on August 15, but it shows a decline of 400 barrels as compared with July 31, when the output was placed at 7,300 barrels.

Six wells were drilling on August 31, against 7 drilling on August 15 and 5 on July 31. Three new locations were recorded on the last day of August. No locations were up on August 15 or July 31.

The runs in the Batson district are apportioned about as follows: J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company, 5,500 barrels; Commercial O Company 800 barrels; Sun Company, 550 barrels, and the Texas Company, 50 barrels. Total estimate, 6,900 barrels.

Following is a summary of field operations for the last half of August, compiled on the last day of the month:

WELLS COMPLETED.

Ninety-nine Pumping Company No. 1, Honeymoon; 200 barrels.

J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company No. 8, Marshall; dry.

J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company No. 18, Choate; 150 barrels.

J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company No. 57 Wing; small producer.

Total new completions, 4. New production estimated at 375 barrels.

WELLS DRILLING.

Sun Company, Paraffine farm; dry at shallow depth.

W. W. Sealey and others, strip 11 of Milholme, fishing; down 1126 feet.

Barkley and Wiess No. 4, Maryellen, erecting standard pumping rig; down about 475 feet.

Ninety-nine Pumping Company No. 2 Honeymoon; 255 feet in gumbo.

F. M. Gilbough No. 1, Hughes; 530 feet in gumbo.

J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company No. 56, Wing.

Total wells drilling, 6.

DRILLING DEEPER.

J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company No. 10, state land.

NEW LOCATIONS.

J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company No. 58, Wing.

J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company No. 59, Wing.

J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company No. 13, Knight.

Total new locations, 3.

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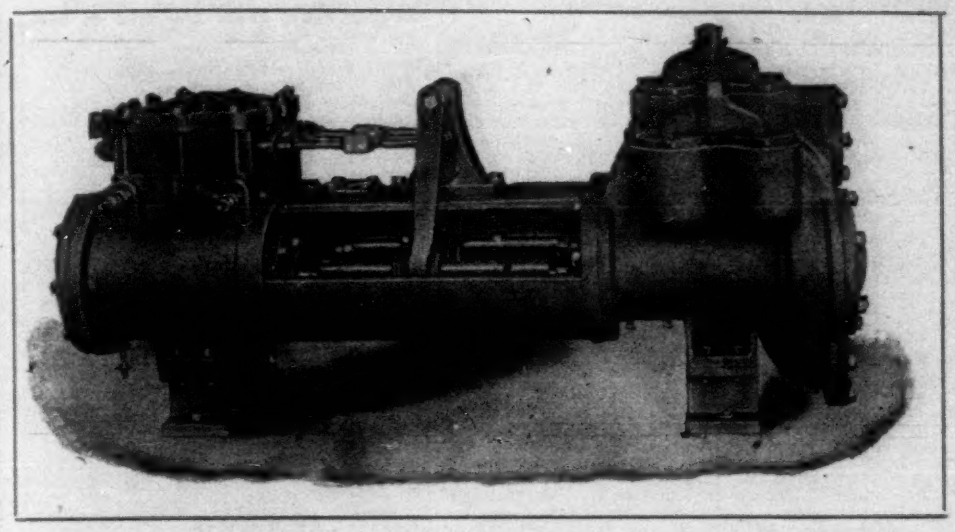

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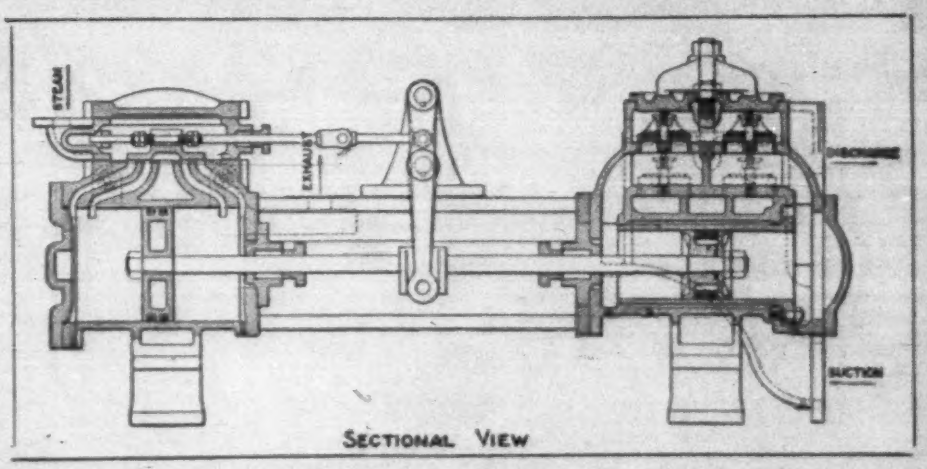

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WILDCAT OPERATIONS HAVE DEVELOPED NOTHING OF IMPORTANCE.

Wildcat operations developed nothing of particular importance in August, although there has been no cessation of activity and all developments are being watched closely. Rattlesnake Hill, Hockley, Davis Hill, Caddo and other points are in the limelight. Following is a summary of work in progress:

RATTLESNAKE HILL.

Rattlesnake Hill is about six miles northeast of Hoskins Mound and eighteen miles southeast of Alvin. The Brazoria Oil Company's test was shut down at a depth of 1,100 feet on August 30, when the district was visited by a representative of the Oil Investors' Journal. Gas pressure had been encountered at that depth, when the hole was pumped full of mud pending the arrival of six-inch to complete it. Interesting developments are expected between 1,300 and 1,400 feet. These expectations are based on the record of two tests that were made many months ago in this territory. What was known as the Thomas test, about four miles southwest of Alvin, went to a depth of about 1,350 feet. The Oil Investors' Journal has no record of this test, but it is said to have encountered a good showing of oil, but for some inexplicable reason was not given a satisfactory test. In the opinion of persons said to be familiar with the circumstances. Another test was that of Manvel, four miles west of Alvin, said to have had a good showing of oil at 1,580 feet, the depth at which it was abandoned. The Brazoria Oil Company's test will largely determine the possibilities of oil production in that part of Brazoria county. The hole will be put down to 1,400 feet. The ten-inch is set at 400 feet. Gumbo similar to that found at Spindletop was encountered at 900 feet. There was 80 feet of it. The Brazoria Oil Company controls approximately 6,000 acres in this territory.

HOCKLEY.

Nothing of an authentic nature has been received from Hockley, although it is reported that No. 1 is down somewhere around 524 feet in the rock encountered at 14 feet. No. 2 is said to be down between 600 and 700 feet with progress very slow.

DAVIS HILL.

Bailing was kept up for a week during the latter part of August in one of the old holes at Davis Hill. Oil is said to have flowed over the top of the casing for a few minutes, but the sand choked it off. Two tests are going down, one on the Briggs at something over 700 feet and another just started.

CADDO.

Nothing has been done to determine the true character of the Sharp-Hardy test on Pine Island. It is still shut in. The J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company has bought eighty acres east of the well, about seventy feet from the line, and has acquired leases on two forty-acre tracts to the north and west of the test. The Producers Oil Company has gained control of eighty acres south of the well. The Savage-Richardson test is being worked on and it is reported that there are some hopes of making a pumper out of it if the water can be handled satisfactorily. The well is two and one-half miles west of the Sharp-Hardy well. The Atlanta Oil Company's test, about one and one-half miles southwest of the Savage-Richardson test, is shut down. Oil taken from the Sharp-Hardy hole tests between 36 and 37 gravity.

SOUTH OF HUMBLE.

The Nells Esperson test, about three-quarters of a mile south of the Humble field, is going deeper. The well was visited by a representative of the Oil Investors' Journal on August 31. A standard pumping rig was installed during the latter part of August and, although the oil stood high in the hole and the well at times spluttered considerably, the head was quickly pumped off and it was decided to go deeper. Oil from the hole is 38 gravity. The Shannon test across the river from Humble, near the site of the old Texas Company water station, was shut down on August 31 when visited by a representative of the Journal. Its depth is said to be 1,350 feet, with nothing doing. It is awaiting orders.

PIERCE JUNCTION.

Prather and asociates have just started on their test at Pierce Junction. This is the only work in progress in that district so far as known.

OTHER TESTS.

Producers Oil Company, five miles south and west of Humble, down 1,000 feet on August 31. No show.

Higgins Oil and Fuel Company, near Green's bayou, down 1,600 feet. Nothing doing.

The Higgins Oil and Fuel Company will make a test, at Nacogdoches.

Solinsky and Chappell, Turnbow league, four and a half miles northwest of Sour Lake on the Batson road, in shale at 1,225 feet.

Paraffine Oil Company, near Dayton, drilling. The Pickett-Henry Oil Company and the Marble Falls Oil Company tests in Dayton and Liberty territory are reported still shut down.

A test at Floresville, Texas, is shut down.

It is reported that preparations are being made to put down a test near El Campo.

A test is going down at Eagle Nest Lake, near Columbia.

The Mound Prairie Oil and Gas Company has been organized to put down a test near Lyons, Texas.

It is reported that a test is going down near Boggy Giggle in Montgomery county.

The Pine Island Oil Company of Beaumont has been organized to make a test on the J. T. Hughes 100 acres of the R. B. Irvin survey in Pine Island territory. The incorporators are W. W. Cunningham, C. E. Ogden, L. T. Smith, L. B. Pipkin and J. S. Wheless.

The Colony Oil Company of Nacogdoches has been organized, with a capital stock of $10,000, by June C. Harris of Nacogdoches and W. B. Sharp and H. Masterson of Houston.

The Anderson County Oil and Mineral Company is putting down a test near Palestine.

What is believed to be a test for oil is located about four miles north of Pearland along the right of way of the Santa Fe railroad. It was shut down on August 30.

Three joints of six-inch strainer were at Alvin on August 30 en route to Somerville, Texas, consigned to the Texas Tie and Lumber Preserving Company by Layne & Bowler.

A test by Layne & Bowler, about two and a half miles southwest of Cypress, is down over 1,400 feet.

The Producers Oil Company has a lease on the 50,000-acre Silverman ranch in Coleman county.

LOUISIANA.

The Pace Oil Company's test near Winnfield is down about 200 feet in rock encountered at 78 feet. Gas showed at 85 feet. Winnfield territory has been the scene of several attempts to strike oil. Two years ago a hole was put down 250 feet through rock and abandoned because tools were too light. Later the Winnfield Oil Company penetrated 100 feet of hard rock in going to a depth of 720 feet, sustaining a blowout which stopped further operations. Another test was stopped at 100 feet, with the 10 1-2 inch bit stuck in the hole.

A franchise has been granted to J. S. White & Co. to lay a gas or oil line from Winnfield to the scene of the present test work, a distance of about three and one-half miles. A railroad is also building between the same points.

Two tests are going down near Covington, one at a depth of over 800 feet and another said to be stuck at 720 feet.

The Franklin Oil and Mineral Company is putting down a test on the Latrielle east of the Jennings field.

The Genesee Development Company is starting a wildcat near the refinery east of Jennings.

A test by Savage at Hornbeck on the Kansas City Southern railroad was down about 500 feet when last heard from, about ten days ago.

A test on the Sulphur mines property at Sulphur is said to have a small showing of oil.

Nothing has been heard from a test by the American Oil and Sulphur Company, one and a half miles south of Sulphur, and one by the Union Sulphur Company, about six miles northeast of the same point.

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The Standard Oil Company in August made a total reduction of 10 cents a barrel for Casey crude, 6 cents a barrel for Kansas and Territories, 4 cents a barrel for North and South Lima, 7 cents for Princeton, 5 cents for Ragland and 2 cents for Somerset. Corsicana was pushed up 2 cents. Pennsylvania unchanged.

Casey is now quoted at 64 cents, Kansas and Territories 39 cents, Kansas heavy 26 cents, North Lima 90 cents, South Lima 85 cents, Princeton 64 cents, Ragland 55 cents, Somerset 85 cents, and Corsicana light 89 cents. Canada has been reduced from $1.34 to $1.30.

On August 15 Casey was reduced 5 cents, Kansas and Territories 3 cents, Princeton 5 cents, North and South Lima 2 cents, and Corsicana advanced 2 cents. This was followed on August 28 with another cut of 5 and 3 cents for Casey and Kansas-Territories respectively, North and South Lima and Indiana 2 cents, Princeton and Ragland 5 cents and Somerset 2 cents.

According to the Oil City Derrick, nearly 22,500 barrels of new production was obtained in the Illinois field in August. Four hundred and ninety-six wells were completed, 82 of which were dry. The Mid-Continent region followed with nearly 18,000 barrels of new output. Two hundred and ninety-nine wells were completed, 81 being dry.

It is believed that September will show a decline in field operations in both the Illinois and Mid-Continent region. Tankage can not be erected for an indefinite period and a cut of 10 cents a barrel may have the effect of bringing operators to their senses and give the Standard Oil Company a chance to take care of the product in a satisfactory manner.

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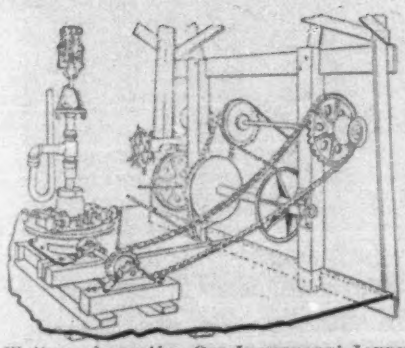

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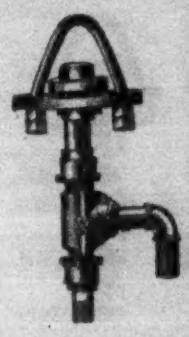

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40 Acres of Land in the town of Port Arthur about 3000 feet N. W. from the intersection of Houston Avenue and 7th St., on which is located the Pump Station and tankage of the National Oil and Pipe Line Co.

BUILDINGS

1-4 room Cottage on Block No. 18, Spindle Top Heights.
1 Boiler House " " " " " "
1 Pump House " " " " " "
1 Tool House " " " " " "

1 Boiler House at Port Arthur Station, Port Arthur, Texas.
1 Pump House " " " " "
1 Tool House " " " " "

TANKAGE

1-37500 Barrel Steel Tank on Block No. 18, Spindle Top Heights.
2-37500 " " " near 7th Street, Port Arthur, Texas.
2-55000 " " " " " " " "
1-1200 Barrel Wood Tank on Block No. 18, Spindle Top Heights.
1-250 " " " " " " " "
1-25 " " " " " " " "
1-1200 " " " near 7th Street, Port Arthur Station, Texas
1-50 " " " " " " " " "

FITTINGS

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1-Gardner, 12x7x12, Block No. 23, Spindle Top Heights
1-Worthington, 6x4x6, Block 18, Spindle Top Heights
1-Worthington, 18½x14x18, at Port Arthur Station
1-Knowles, 6x4x6, at Port Arthur Station.

BOILERS

2-160 H. P. Babcock Boilers, on Block No. 18, Spindle Top
2-30 H. P. Oil Well Supply Boilers, at Port Arthur Station

MISCELLANEOUS

1-Webster Water Heater on Block No. 18, Spindle Top
1-9 car Loading Rack on S. & E. T. Ry., at Gladys Station.

PIPE

15 Miles 6 inch Pipe Line (78000 feet) from Block No. 18, Spindle Top to Pt. Arthur Station.
1000 Feet 6-inch Gathering Lines on Spindle Top.
1½ Miles (7000 feet) 4-inch Gathering Lines on Spindle Top
300 Feet 6-inch Discharge Line, Block No. 18, Spindle Top Heights.
300 Feet 10-inch Suction Line, Block No. 18, Spindle Top Heights.
3000 Feet 3-inch Pipe Line from Block No. 18 to Port Arthur Railroad.
2½ Miles (12000 feet) 10 inch Pipe Line from Port Arthur Station to Docks at Port Arthur.
100 Feet 10-inch Pipe on top of ground, not in use at Port Arthur Station
3000 Feet 6-inch Pipe on top of ground, not in use, on K. C. S. Ry., Port Arthur.
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300 Feet 2-inch Water Line at Port Arthur Station.

All of the above material will be offered for sale, in whole or in part in present location or dismantled and placed f. o. b. cars at nearest loading point, or estimates will be furnished for dismantling, moving and re-building at other points. If interested, in all or any part of the above, write or wire fully.

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POWELL AND CORSICANA.

Twenty-six wells were completed in the Powell district in August, 15 producers and 11 dry. This record is against 34 completions in July, 18 producers, 12 dry and 4 gassers. August, therefore, declined by 8 completions and 5 dry holes.

Seven wells were drilling and 2 rigs up at Powell on August 31. This record is against 9 drilling wells and no new locations on July 31, indicating little change.

Two producing wells were completed at Corsicana in August against 3 completions in July, 2 producers and 1 dry. One well was drilling and one rig up on August 31, against one drilling and no rigs up on July 31. Six wells were abandoned at Corsicana in August.

Following is a summary of field operations for August at Powell compiled on August 31:

COMPLETED PRODUCERS.

Garrity and Whiteselle No. 2, M. M. Campbell.

Barnsdall and Staley No. 10, W. L. Derden.

J. W. Sturm No. 10, M. E. Ward.

Ennis Oil and Development Company No. 16, N. H. Brown.

Ennis Oil and Development Company No. 17, N. H. Brown.

Witherspoon and Carmody No. 13, K. Moncrief.

Witherspoon and Carmody No. 14, K. Moncrief.

Witherspoon, Carmody and Whitehill No. 11, J. O. Burke.

Witherspoon, Carmody and Whitehill No. 12, J. O. Burke.

Eleven Oil Company No. 12, E. S. Brooks.

Wm. Peck & Co. No. 8, Damon and Gibson.

Wm. Peck & Co. No. 9, Damon and Gibson.

Wm. Peck & Co. No. 10, Damon and Gibson.

Wm. Peck & Co. No. 6, M. E. Ward.

Junior Oil and Pipe Line Company No. 12, W. J. Towne.

Total completed producers, 15.

COMPLETED DRY HOLES.

Garity and Whiteselle No. 1, M. M. Campbell.

Barnsdall and Staley No. 16, W. J. McKie.

Allen and Maxwell No. 12, E. Brown.

Lea, Peck and others No. 2, R. B. Malloy.

Baker and Lancaster No. 4, C. N. White.

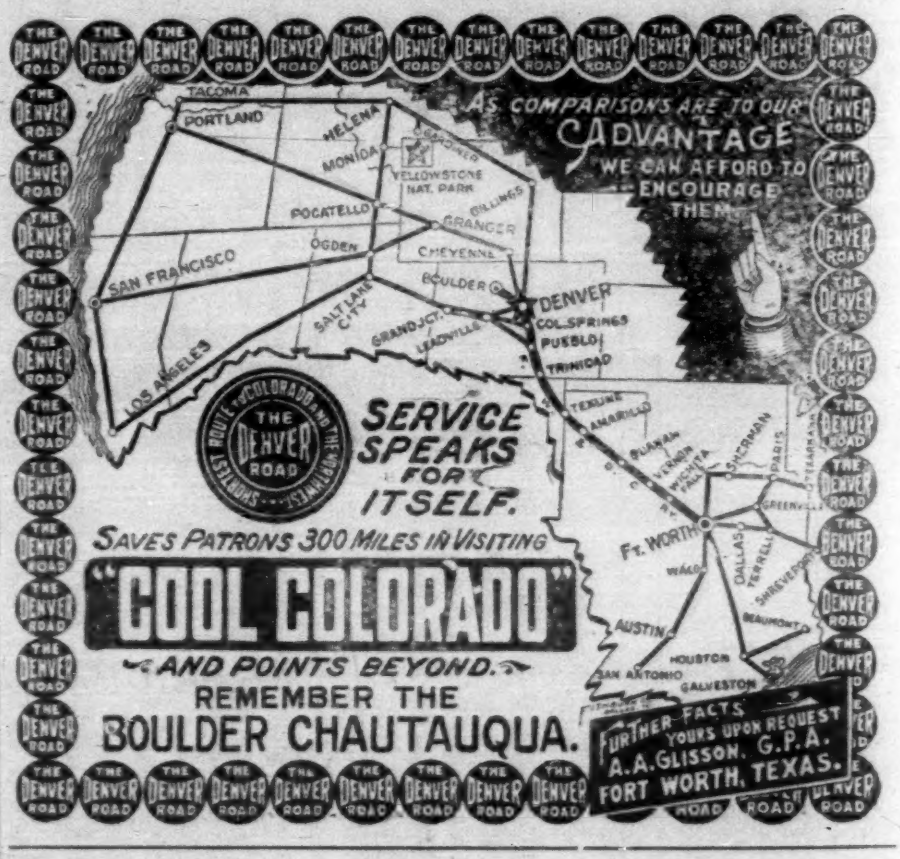
Eleven Oil Company No. 11, E. S. Brooks.

St. Louis and Southwestern Railroad Co. No. 5, right of way.

H. Stone No. 9, H. Stone.

Ferris Oil Company No. 3, C. N. White.

W. J. McKie No. 1, B. Coleman.



Total completed dry, 11. Total all completions, 26.

WELLS DRILLING.

Garrity and Whiteselle No. 3, M. M. Campbell.

Barnsdall and Staley No. 11, W. J. Derden.

Barnsdall and Staley No. 17, W. J. McKie.

Allen and Maxwell No. 1, Breithaupt.

Witherspoon, Carmody and Whitehall No. 13, J. O. Burke.

Wm. Peck & Co. No. 11, Damon and Gibson.

H. Stone No. 10, H. Stone.

Total wells drilling, 7.

RIGS UP.

Ennis Oil and Development Company No. 18, N. H. Brown.

Witherspoon and Carmody No. 15, K. Moncrief.

ABANDONED.

Eleven Oil Company No. 4, E. S. Brooks.

CORSICANA.

Garrity and Mills Nos. 68 and 69 on the R. Q. Mills were completed as producers in August, being the only completions in that period. Garrity and Mills have a rig up for No. 70 on the R. Q. Mills.

The following wells are abandoned:

Garrity and Mills Nos. 9, 12 and 15 on the R. Q. Mills and Smith-Kerr Oil Company No. 1 on the Hooks and No. 1 on the Baker. The Corsicana Petroleum abandoned hole on the Jester.

T. P. Kerr No. 3 is drilling on the Ray.

The Texas Fullers Earth Company of Dallas has been organized with a capital stock of $100,000, by T. L. Bradford, Ben F. Orr, E. P. Webster, Nathan Adams, J. B. Lucas, S. H. Adams, Foster E. Lytle, S. J. Hogsett and W. H. Mansfield. It is said that the company will build a plant town of Burton. Five hundred acres of the tract contain Fullers earth.

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A PART OF THE KEITH-WARD TRACT AT SPINDLETOP SWEPT BY FIRE.

The busiest portion of the Keith-Ward tract, adjoining the McFaddin lease, at Spindletop on which are located some of the best producing wells in the Spindletop district on the night of August 28 was swept by fire and property destroyed to the extent of approximately $20,000, as well as cutting off temporarily 500 barrels a day production from four wells. Low water in a boiler of the Sunset Oil Company caused an explosion and subsequent fire.

Following is a list of losses: Bass and Moore, two standard pumping rigs complete and two derricks, putting a 25-barrel pumper out of commission; Bass and Abercrombie, one standard pumping rig on a 200-barrel well; standard pumping rigs and derricks over the C. A. Richardson (formerly Andrews) well, the Texas Crude Oil Company's well, good for for 200 barrels and 75 barrels respectively; equipment over old holes of the following: M. K., & T. Oil Company, Cheek and Beatty, Sunset Oil Company, Masterson and a derrick belonging to W. A. Paddock. Two two-boiler steam plants, one the property of the Sunset Oil Company and the other belonging to C. A. Richardson. Two 1,200-barrel settling tanks of the Sunset Oil Company and two 500-barrel settling tanks the property of C. A. Richardson together with about 1,200 barrels of oil. J. C. Wilson lost the lumber for a new derrick that had been hauled to the tract the day before the fire. The rig over a hole being drilled by Alfred Abeel ad other was lost. Some pipe was also destroyed.

The work of putting new equipment over the producing wells is now in progress

THE WILKINS COMPANY SELLS OUT AT JENNINGS.

The Wilkins Company of Jennings has sold its holdings to G. B. Zigler and Company for 50,000 barrels of oil, or equivalent to $30,000 when the deal was made on August 20. The property in the transaction consists of a lease on one acre of the Martin farm and the Vallee Arpent and one producing and one drilling well. The producing well is the famous Wilkins No. 2, brought in November 20, 1904, and up to the present has made more than 2,700,000 barrels of oil. It is still producing at the rate of about a thousand barrels a day.

The Wilkins Company was the outgrowth of the H. C. Wilkins, A. C. Wilkins, A. R. Knott and W. H. Stenger partnership, formed July 25, 1904, to drill one well at Jennings. The well was not a producer at first, but yielded oil after being drilled deeper. At this point the Heywood Oil Company secured a half interest in the lease by drilling another well to offset the first well. About a year ago W. H. Stenger purchased the interest of A. R. Knott in the partnership and the Wilkins Company was incorporated with a capital stock of $75,000, one-third of the stock being issued each to H. C. and A. C. Wilkins and W. H. Stenger. The gentlemen composing the Wilkins Company are now out of the oil business, aside from storage oil for sale. They are devoting their time to a 2,700-acre rice farm owned by them and are now harvesting a 500-acre crop of that cereal.

G. B. Zigler and Company is a private concern composed of G. B. Zigler and W. A. Rawson, who at one time were gaugers for the Southern Oil Company.

Sheriff J. L. Murrel of Crowley on September 1 seized the Vallee Arpent in a suit brought by J. Edward Crusel against Judge R. E. Brooks. Judge Brooks' royalty is sequestered, pending the outcome of the suit.

The Kissick-Meagher Oil Company of Beaumont has filed an amendment to its charter changing the corporate name to the W. A. Meagher Oil Company.

SHIPMENTS OF OIL FROM PORT ARTHUR

DATE	RIG	NAME VESSEL	LOADED BY	CONSIGNEE	DESTINATION	GRADE	BBLS
Aug.							
17	Barge	Mingo	Gulf Ref. Co	Gulf Ref. Co	Gretna La	Refined	2788
17	"	"	"	"	"	Lubr	387
17	"	"	"	"	"	Asphalt	10
18	S S	Northtown	Texas Co	"	For Orders	Bunker	16 8
21	"	"	Gulf Ref. Co	"	"	Crude	21671
21	"	A. F. Lucas	"	"	"	Crude	143317
22	"	Winifred	"	"	Gibsons Point	Crude	19626
22	Barge	Conemaugh	"	"	"	Crude	16219
23	"	Mingo	"	"	Tampa	Refined	1920
23	"	"	"	"	"	Lub.	53
23	"	Conneaut	"	"	Port Tampa	Crude	9482
23	"	"	"	"	"	Reduced	8036
23	S S	Larimer	"	"	Bayonne, N.J.	Solar	20431
23	"	"	"	"	"	Lubr	7346
23	"	"	"	"	"	Asphalt	2210
23	"	"	"	"	"	HardAsph	300
23	"	Shenango	"	"	"	Solar	25730
25	"	No. 91	Texas Co	Standard	Constable H'k	Solar	24900
27	"	Catania	Gulf Ref. Co	Gulf Ref Co	Gibsons Point	Crude	7739
27	"	"	"	"	"	Solar	10428
27	"	"	"	"	"	HardAsph	800
27	"	Mavarick	"	"	For Orders	Crude	9363
27	"	Northwestern	Texas Co	Texas Co	Del.River Sta	Crude	21768
27	"	"	"	"	"	Bunker	1743
29	"	H. Wadsworth	Gulf Ref. Co	For Orders	Cetta, France	Refined	2869
29	"	"	"	"	"	Lubr. Oil	20
31	"	Northman	"	Gulf Ref. Co	Bayonne, N J	Crude	22381

Total (Barrels) 303245
Previous Shipments in Aug 272511
Total for Month 575756
Crude 253405
Other Grades 322351

SHIPMENTS OF OIL FROM SABINE*

DATE	RIG	NAME VESSEL	LOADED BY	CONSIGNEE	DESTINATION	GRADE	BBLS
Aug.							
16	Barge	Spindletop	H O & F Co	H. O. & F. Co	Galveston	Crude	4321
19	"	No. 62	"	Standard	New York	Crude	35247
20	"	Spindletop	"	H. O. & F. Co.	Galveston	Crude	4479
23	"	"	"	"	"	Crude	4399
25	"	"	"	"	"	Crude	4373
29	"	"	"	"	"	Crude	4493
31	S S	Toledo	Sun P L Co	Sun Co	Marcus Hook	Crude	21621

Total (Barrels) 78333
Previous Shipments in Aug 172532
Total for Month 250865
Crude 194860
Other Grades 56005

*This table also includes shipments from Sabine Pass.

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HOSKINS MOUND.

Mound Oil Company No. 2 is making between 250 and 300 barrels of oil, with considerable sulphur water. It is under the pump. The project to build a two-inch pipe line from Hoskins Mound to San Luis bay is temporarily abandoned. Work is reported in progress on the No. 7 and No. 8. Nothing of importance has developed.

LIFE.

(A Modern Version.)

A little youth
A tiny bit—
A little work,
Then—aber nit!
A little graft—
A little biz—
A threat to jail,
And then—gee whiz!

A little billion
Stored Away—
A little castle,
And then—good day

A little skeleton
Out of sight—
A little scandal,
And then—good night!

A little will
To quarrel by—
A little tomb,
And so—good-by!

—Max Jones.

WHAT'S THE USE?

Really, what's the use of being the president of a big corporation, and what's the fun of having twenty or thirty million dollars, if a man can't enjoy the luxury of a divorce or two, without being held up to public odium in the newspapers? Is this a free country, or is it not?

What's the use of being a great financial king if one is forced to make restitution of gains made in a stock jobbing deal?

What's the use of controlling an insurance company if one is to be annoyed by independent committees of policyholders and forced to fight for existence at an election for trustees?

What's the use of conducting big enterprises so as to make big profits by short cut methods, as long as Roosevelt stands like a policeman, with a big stick, to enforce a square deal?

Where's our individual liberty, we would like to know, if we men of financial power can't do as we please?

What's the use—and this is even more to the point—of striving by industry, frugality, honesty and courage to establish a fortune, thus securing the refinements of life for one's self and adding to the trade and wealth of the country, if the misdeeds or shortsighted ambition of a few financial leaders are to be made the excuse for a mad appeal to class hatred and a socialistic attack on the existing social order?—Wall Street Journal.

The man with the rake-off is the one who sneers at the man with the muck-rake.

A NEW OIL ENGINE.

A Reading inventor claims to have perfected an engine which works on the same principle as the gas engine, but uses refined oil for the locomotive power instead of gasoline. A practical test made recently showed that the enine was capable of taking the power prescribed by its capacity on an instant and without losing any of its force. The theory used is the spraying of oil into a chamber where the fuel is ignited, making "gas of oil." The gas is lighted and exploded, the concussion against the piston furnishing the power. It took but a few minutes to start the engine, after which it kept running in an even, steady manner. It is claimed that it will continue in that way the entire day until stopped and without having any attention paid to it. The only attention required is the starting and stopping of the machine. No fireman or engineer is needed, hence much expense is saved in this way. It is small in comparison with other types of engines and occupies little space. No extra building for a boiler house is necessary, as there is practically no heat, smoke, or any other thing obnoxious and common to engines.—Oil City Derrick.

Small Boy—Pa, what is an Optimist?

Pa—An Optimist, my son, is a man who doesn't care a ——— what happens, so that it doesn't happen to him.—Life.

SUCCESS THROUGH ABUSE.

Unless a man is abused a lot he never amounts to much.—New York Press.

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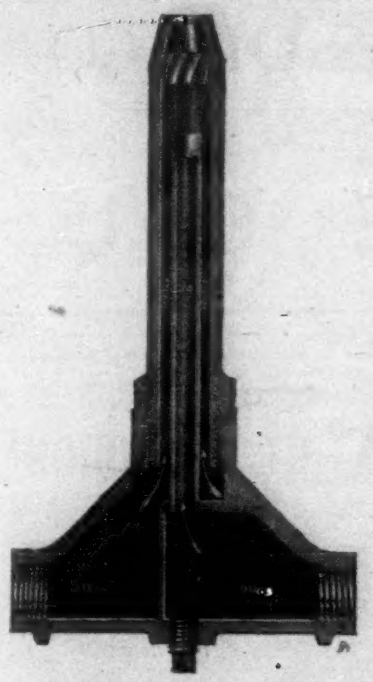

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To which may be added the remarkable possibilities of oil and gas development, which as yet, has hardly started.

The National Petroleum Association has referred the matter of oil rates from Chicago to the Missouri River and the northwest to the Interstate Commerce Commission. It claims that the adjustment of rates makes it impossible to compete on through shipments with Standard Oil.

HIS "BUNCH OF FIVES."

An Irishman was walking along a road alongside a links when he was suddenly struck between the shoulders with a golf ball. The force of the blow knocked him down, and when he got up he observed a golfer running toward him.

"Are you hurt? queried the player. "Why didn't you get out of the way?" And why should I get out of the way?" asked Pat. "I didn't know there were any assassins around here."

"But I called 'fore,'" said the player, "and when I say 'fore' that is a sign for you to get out of the way."

"Oh, it is, is it ?" said Pat. "Well, thin, whin I say 'foive' it's a sign that you are going to git hit on the nose. 'Foive.'"—New York World.

THE IDEAL FUEL.

The New York office of the "Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited, is giving distribution to a circular letter containing extracts from the Oil Investors' Journal of July 18, on the subject of 'Safety of Crude Petroleum Used As Fuel," as illustrated in the San Francisco fire disaster. The exclusive publicity of facts concerning the remarkable test to which fuel oil was subjected in the conflagration, originally given by the Journal, based on the personal observations of its editor, is doing good work to dissipate the idea entertained by those unfamiliar with crude petroleum, that it is dangerous when used as a combustible for steam-making purposes. Considered from every standpoint, it is the ideal fuel.

Harry P. Rickards, well known in the Gulf Coast oil industry since the early days of Spindletop, has closed his Beaumont office permanently and left for New York city, from which port he sailed on August 25 for Roumania.

The Independent Oil Company of Sherman, Texas, has been incorporated with a capital stock of $15,000 by J. A. Ballard, R. L. Heflin of Sherman, Edward Woodall of Hillsboro, B. W. Couch of Italy and A. J. Butler of Fort Worth.

The federal grand jury at Chicago on August 27 returned ten indictments against the Standard Oil Company in connection with the alleged granting [illegible] certain railroads. The indictments contained 6,428 counts. The penalty for each alleged offense is not less than $1,000 and not more than $20,000.

The Southwestern Oil Company of Houston has applied for permission to erect a storage station with warehouses at the corner of Gulf street and Hazel avenue in Beaumont. It comes up before the city council, Beaumont, on September 4.

"When I was a small boy," said the trust magnate, "I wanted to run away to sea and be a pirate."

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MONUMENT TO DRAKE.

Titusville (Pa.) folks are again agitating the proposition of erecting an enduring monument to mark the location of the famous well drilled by Colonel E. L. Drake, on the Watson flats, just below Titusville, the w. that brought the oil industry to life, in fact the first well ever drilled for development purposes. The well was completed on August 29, 1859, 47 years ago.

Colonel Drake died on November 8, 1880, more than a quarter of a century ago. Two or three years ago his remains were moved from New Bethlehem, Pa., to Woodlawn cemetery, in Titusville, where a beautiful memorial was erected in his memory by Standard Oil officials, fitting tribute to the memory of the man who made such a heroic struggle against poverty and ridicule to lay the foundation of the oil industry.

Once it was proposed to erect over the location of the well a steel tower of great height. It was found that in addition to a large original cost, that the expense of repairs would be a large item and so the project was abandoned. Now it is proposed to erect a stone derrick, the exact size and shape of the original Drake derrick. Tht cost would not be so large and there would be no maintenance expense.

When the writer visited the old Drake well, three years ago, there was nothing left to mark the spot except some drive pipe. Around the well willows, alders and burdock flourished and cattle strayed. The man who piloted the writer was J. A. Mather, the pioneer oil region photographer, who took the only picture ever secured of the Drake well. So rank was the growth of willows that he spent some time in locating the spot.

Oil men everywhere ought to be willing to co-operate with the people in erecting a suitable memorial to mark the spot where Colonel Drake made the rock pour forth oil. The idea has been allowed to slumber long enough.—Bolivar Breeze.

The agent for the five civilized tribes of Indian Territory, has completed his annual report for the year ending July 30, 1906, showing that in the Cherokee nation oil and gas royalties amounted to $288,231; coal, $2,735; oil lease bonuses, $5,403; a total of $556,223 was received for the Cherokees. In the Creek nation oil and gas royalties amounted to $17,490; coal, $9,324; total Creek receipts, $253,204. In the Choctaw and Chickasaw nations coal royalties amounted to $249,690. For all the tribes there was collected during the year the sum of $2,923,853. The item referring to oil lease bonuses relates to a few dead and irregular allotment claims which were sold. During the year oil lease bonuses were paid to individual members of the Cherokee and Creek nations amounting to half a million dollars. There are 109 coal leases operative in Indian Territory, mostly in the Choctaw and Chickasaw nations. Since the interior department has been receiving oil and gas leases the total number filed with the Indian agent at Muskogee is 9,569, of which number 2,065 leases, covering 157,660 acres were approved during the year just closed, and there are now in the agent's office at Muskogee 4,464 oil and gas leases that have not been approved, indicating that most of them have not yet been sent to Washington.

J. A. Cushing of Washington, Pa., brother of W. T. Cushing of Beaumont, died in a hospital at San Antonio, August 29, from pleurisy of the lungs. The remains were taken east, accompanied by W. T. Cushing and wife of the deceased.

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—Chicago News.

Frank P. Cullinan of Jennings and Miss Willie Barry Chesnutt of Corsicana, were married August 15 at Corsicana. The bride is the daughter of W. A. Chesnutt and a niece of Hon. Bryan T. Barry of Dallas. The groom is a brother of Mr. J. S. Cullinan, president of The Texas Company.

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FOREIGN NOTES.

The Aktiengesellschaft fur Osterreichische und Ungarische Mineralolprodukte of Baku held its second annual meeting in Vienna recently.

The Moniteur du Petrole Roumain learns on good authority that the Telega Oil Company which belonged to the Disconto-Bleichroeder group, is going to be amalgamated with the Italo-Roumanian Company.

The Societe Francaise des Petroles et Forages Artesiens, operating in the province of Placenza in the northern decilvity of the Apennines, has erected a refinery near Fiorenzuola d'arda, where it refines its own production as well as that of the Petroles de Montechinio.

It is rumored that the Schibaleff Petroleum Company is about to transfer all of its assets to the firm of Mazoot.

A movement is said to be in progress among the firms engaged in the petroleum industry in Northwest Germany, having as its object the consolidation and improvement of that industry. The leading factors are the International Boring Company, the Deutsche Tiefbohrgeselischaft, the Celle-Wietze Company and the petroleum companies controlled by the Deutsche Bank. The International Boring Company possesses producing oil fields of its own, and has recently also acquired the Hannoversch-Westfallische Erdoelwerke (late Reinold and Schrader) and the Hannoverian Refining Company connected with, and also possesses the majority of the shares in a Dutch company operating in Hanover. The Deutsche Tiefbohrgeselischaft owns the Hausa property, the Elsass Petroleum Company, the Pechelbronner Oil Company, and the Gute Hoffnung Oil Company. The Celle-Wietze Company are connected with the Saigge Mineral Oil Refinery, the Wietze Petroleum Boring Company, the Rhenisch Westfalian Oil Company. Lastly, the Deutsche Bank owns the Wietzedorf Oil Company.

W. T. Leman, manager of the refining department of the Texas Company, has moved his office from Beaumont to Port Arthur, where a new two-story office building has been erected.

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